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Applicant: KNUDSON ET AL. Examiner: M. Mendoza  
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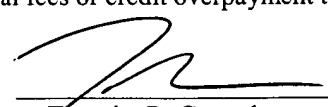
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 2, 2004, please amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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